NDEP Announces New Grantees

Association of American Indian Physicians Margaret Knight, Executive Director

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The Association of American Indian Physicians (AAIP) will focus on the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Division of Diabetes Translation's National Objectives, the National Diabetes Education Program (NDEP) Strategic Plan, and implementing lifestyle interventions. Through awareness and education, AAIP will strive to improve knowledge, attitudes, beliefs, and behaviors related to the prevention, early detection, and control of diabetes in American Indians/Alaska Native (AIAN) communities. AAIP will implement strategies to build the capacity of AIAN national and regional organizations, increasing their ability to develop and implement community-based interventions. Strategies will be employed to strengthen relationships with health care providers to assist them in providing culturally appropriate diabetes education and support to AIAN communities. Using the CDC 6-Step Evaluation Framework, AAIP will increase evaluation and participatory strategies to ensure that proposed activities work synergistically with effective diabetes education interventions.

Black Women's Health Imperative Lorraine Cole, President /CEO Dwanda Glenn-Woodward 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, SE, Suite 310 Washington, DC 2003 (202) 548-4000 www.blackwomenshealth.org

The aim of the Black Women's Health Imperative's (BWHI) project will be to reach women in a total of 48 church congregations across 12 states. The BWHI will partner with Women's Missionary Societies, African Methodist Episcopal and African Methodist Episcopal Zion churches. The BWHI seeks to implement the Health-Wise Women Project, a diabetes education, prevention, and health empowerment program to enhance knowledge, change attitudes, foster blood level compliance, promote regular physical activity, and establish healthier weight among African American women aged 40 to60 years with diabetes risk factors. This organization was formerly known as the National Black Women's Health Project.

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The goal of Khmer's National Cambodian American Diabetes Project (NCADP) is to create awareness of diabetes and the negative impact of serious psychological distress on diabetes health outcomes, bring proven education programs to Cambodian communities nationwide to prevent diabetes in this high-risk community, and prevent complications in those who have diabetes through increased use of health services. Khmer plans to implement strategies for promoting diabetes awareness and delivering education messages, interventions, and products to the target populations using culturally effective

community-based approaches that increase and improve health utilization services. Khmer will establish coalitions and partnerships with other community-based organizations, State Diabetes Prevention and Control Programs (DPCPs), local health departments, as well as other national and regional organizations to expand programs that capitalize on current diabetes education efforts.

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The National Alliance for Hispanic Health's Juntos Contra la Diabetes program (JCD-United Against Diabetes) has been designed around the following objectives: coalition building, provider training, media campaign, national partnerships, outreach, and program evaluation. JCD will build upon and strengthen new or existing coalition sites. The diabetes coalitions will implement local Hispanic diabetes action plans with appropriate diabetes education and community outreach. JCD will create a core group of 15 national master trainers on cultural-proficient diabetes self-management education using the JCD Diabetes Self-Management Curriculum and NDEP materials. The media campaign is estimated to reach 125,000 Hispanic consumers through the distribution of existing NDEP media tools (TV, radio and print ads) to media outlets within five community sites. Program evaluation will encompass the CDC 6-Step Evaluation Framework to assess program accomplishments.

National Association of School Nurses Wanda R. Miller, Executive Director Nichole Bobo, Education Director 1416 Park Street, Suite A Castle Rock, CO 80109 (303) 663-2329 www.nasn.org

The National Association of School Nurses' (NASN) Managing and Preventing Diabetes and Weight Gain Project's overall goal is to capitalize on the intimate and credible relationships school nurses have with the communities they serve to strengthen behaviors and provide positive messages about the management of type 1 and the prevention of type 2 diabetes in children. The NASN's target populations are 4th and 5th grade African American and Hispanic/Latino students (with some involvement of other groups, American Indians, and Asian Americans) in six large urban school districts that are at high risk for overweight and diabetes. Students will gain knowledge, skills, and motivation to make key lifestyle changes in eating and physical activity while their parents/significant adults will be made aware of the importance of these changes.

National Latina Health Network Elena Alvarado, Executive Director 1680 Wisconsin Avenue, NW Second Floor Washington, DC 20007 (202) 965-9633 www.nlhn.net

The National Latina Health Network (NLHN) nationwide program will enhance existing efforts to prevent diabetes among Latinos at risk and prevent complications and premature death for Latinos living with diabetes. The NLHN proposes an innovative peer-education program using situational platicas/health

vignettes as a tool to motivate Latinas in health prevention strategies. ¡Hoy Adelante! Project will educate Latinas bilingually in Spanish and English and will engage audience members to discuss critical health issues that would ordinarily meet resistance, especially among less acculturated Latinas and their communities. Peer educators will use behavior-based vignettes to provide information about nutrition and diet, physical activity, stigma regarding obesity, psychosocial and cultural factors as well as issues dealing with violence prevention in a way that is familiar and non-threatening to their audience.

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The program purpose of the National Medical Association is to strengthen its capacity to reduce the disproportionate burden of diabetes among African Americans through awareness, education, diet, nutrition, and exercise programs consistent with the Healthy People 2010 focus area of diabetes. The NMA will develop at least six diabetes coalitions within its regions, comprised of State Diabetes Prevention and Control Programs, Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU), project participants, Baptist churches, community-based organizations and other health providers. The initiatives will be in Atlanta, GA, Nashville, TN, New Orleans, LA, Washington, DC, Los Angeles, CA and Tallahassee, FL.

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Papa Ola Lokahi will identify diabetes awareness and education priorities in Hawaii and Pacific Islander communities. The clinical, educational, and cultural expertise needed to guide and support these efforts will be provided through partnerships formalized by Memoranda of Agreement, letters of commitment, sub-contractual relationships, and representation on one of two Pacific Region Diabetes Awareness and Education program Advisory Councils. Papa Ola Lokahi will establish a minimum of 20 community-based coalitions/partnerships in Hawaii and in the Pacific Jurisdictions to (a) promote diabetes awareness and deliver diabetes education messages, interventions, and products to targeted populations in selected communities or (b) use community-based intervention strategies to improve lifestyles through knowledge, skills, attitudes, and behaviors for the prevention, control, and management of diabetes complications or (c) strengthen relationships with local health care providers.